

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**In re: Application of:**

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**For:** SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
MODEL BASED CONTROL  
OF A CHEMICAL PROCESS

**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop: Amendment  
Commissioner of Patents,  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 26, 2006, the deadline for normal response expiring on December 26, 2006, please amend the Application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification:** Please amend the Abstract. A new Abstract appears as page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims:** Please substitute the new Claims listing beginning on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 13 of this paper.